

# Condon Issue Brings Protest

Close on the heels of reports that Congressman Robert L. Condon had been barred from a Nevada atom test as a security risk and has been under study by the military services for the same reason, a campaign in support of the local legislator was initiated in Contra Costa County this week.

Petitions demanding "an explanation of the unwarranted and unprecedented usurpation of power by the executive department which resulted in the exclusion of Mr. Condon from the atomic bomb tests" were put in circulation here.

**PUT OUT** by a citizen's committee headed by Dave Comstock, secretary of the Contra Costa County Democratic Party, the petitions will be collected Tuesday and sent to President Eisenhower in Washington, D. C., it was reported.

The committee has also prepared and is distributing car signs reading "Now I'm for Condon More Than Ever."

The petitions also say that the voters of the California Sixth Congressional District "have heard, weighed and subsequently dismissed the slurs and charges directed against Robert L. Condon."

"We are entitled to be represented by the man of our choice, a man who has our complete confidence," they continue.

The petition begins with the following sentence: "WE THE UNDERSIGNED voters of the California Sixth Congressional District, resent and denounce the insulting and unconstitutional treatment tendered us by the executive branch of the U. S. government."

Condon, a member of the Condon, Hemmings and Dolgin law firm of Martinez, was elected to Congress last November representing Contra Costa and Solano Counties. He defeated Republican John F. Baldwin by 2012 votes.

He lives at 1501 Boulevard Way, Walnut Creek.

## Milton Vail Will Lost... Probate Petition Filed

Elizabeth Ann Vail, widow of Milton R. Vail, has filed a petition for probate of the misplaced will of her husband, it was announced this week.

Vail's building contractor, died June 24. He wrote a will in 1951, but it cannot be found among his papers in his safe deposit box where he planned to place it, according to a remark he made to his attorney, M. W. Dobrensky of Oakland.

The will, dictated by Dobrensky in his Piedmont home and signed by the contractor, left the "more than \$100,000" estate to Mrs. Vail, 20 Charles Hill Road, Orinda, said affidavits filed with the petition.

Vail, a graduate of the University of California, class of 1939, was a Navy communications officer in World War II.

## Planners OK Request Of T. D. Courtright

The County Planning Commission Tuesday night recommended approval of the request of T. D. Courtright to have 10 ft. side yards for a residence on Lot 13, Lake Orinda Highlands.

The lot fronts 108 feet on the north side of El Toyonal.

There were no protests.

# Grand Jury Report Blasts Sheriff's Office, Welfare Department; Law Enforcement Committee Disagrees with Foreman

Sharp criticism of the sheriff's office and the County Welfare Department were among highlights of the 90-page report submitted Monday by the 1952-53 County Grand Jury to Superior Judge Homer W. Patterson.

The report was given to Judge Patterson shortly before he discharged the jury.

A half-hour after this discharge, Presiding Judge Norman Gregg spoke in the new Grand Jury for 1953-54.

In the outgoing Grand Jury's report, Foreman Arthur C. Rogers of El Cerrito commented:

"**LAW ENFORCEMENT** leaves something to be desired. We have observed a disposition to lay off in some quarters and a reluctance to proceed where overlapping jurisdiction might be involved. The first question being not whether the law is being violated, but where and by whom. It appears that we have some gutless wonders in the law enforcement departments of the cities and of the county."

Rogers also declared:

"Conditions in our County Welfare Department cry to high heaven for a revamping of our laws regulating the administration of this department. I recommend that the present County Welfare Department be cleaned out, from top to bottom, root and branch, and that it be replaced with personnel who look to the taxpayer's interest rather than to aggrandizement of their department by spending huge sums of public funds."

The report of the law enforcement committee, headed by Frank Casey of Richmond, differed from Rogers' comments in that it praised the sheriff's office and did not criticize it.

However, the social welfare com-

## Condon Ban from Atom Test... How News Developed

The story of Congressman Robert L. Condon being denied admission to a Nevada atomic test developed quickly this week.

The day-by-day story as it appeared in the national press was as follows:

**MONDAY** —

1) Condon revealed at an interview that he had been refused admission to an atomic test in Nevada last May and told that the ban was "because of security reasons."

2) Later Condon said Gordon Dean, former chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, admitted "some sort of mistake." Condon said "my status with the commission now is the same as any other member of this Congress."

**TUESDAY** —

1) An Associated Press story said the Navy thought of calling off a ship-launching ceremony at Mare Island May 11 because Condon was to be the speaker. (Condon did speak at the launching.)

2) The same story said that the Navy later notified all Naval District commanders that Condon "was, in effect, to be considered persona non grata" — a person not acceptable.

3) The story said that sources reported that Condon would still be barred from attending atomic tests.

4) Condon said that he will make a speech in the House next Tuesday about the bomb test ban. He indicated that he considered it a constitutional question. "I feel strongly that the executive department, through the AEC and the FBI, are assuming powers with respect to Congress that they don't have."

## Chamber Plans to Publish Brochure About Orinda

Due to many requests for information about this community, the Orinda Chamber of Commerce is contemplating publication of an attractive brochure on Orinda.

Andy Blalock, chamber manager, led a discussion on the possible publication when the chamber held its semi-monthly luncheon meeting at Casa Orinda Tuesday.

**HE SAID** that real estate firms would help defray costs by buying a number of copies.

Plans are for the brochure to include a map showing Orinda in relation to the Bay Area, Blalock said.

Co-worker with Blalock on the project is Walter Friberg, Friberg asked chamber members for suggestions for the brochure.

**IT WAS ANNOUNCED** that the duplicating machine donated by Stanley Allen will be moved to Blalock's office.

This machine is to be used by the organization in production of bulletins and letters to the membership.

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**PUTTING OUT A FIRE?** Well, figuratively that's what you could say Orinda Fire Chief H. E. Wyatt is doing as he cools off Fireman Jack Heiser by spraying him while Firemen Ernie Hendricks (second from right) and M. G. Guido look on approvingly and a bit enviously.

—SUN photo by Jack Groth

## Sanitary District Tells Clayton Annexation Fees

Directors of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District last week authorized Engineer Gerry Horst-kotte to draft a letter stating annexation terms for Clayton Valley.

They agreed to accept the area if it would raise \$1,005,000 or its full bonding capacity, whichever is greater.

Of this sum, \$400,000 would be earmarked for treatment plant expansion and \$605,000 for trunk line construction from the Clayton area to the Sanitary District plant.

**IN ADDITION** the annexed area would be expected to participate through tax revenue in the retirement of the present district's bonded indebtedness.

Clayton Valley would also be required to pay the standard house connection fee, it was explained, and Local Improvement District proceedings would have to be undertaken to sever the area.

When announced at the board meeting July 2, fees for the annexation of Clayton Valley were criticized by residents of the area who were present.

They did not feel that, in view of the amount they would contribute to plant expansion, the connection fee would be justified.

**RALPH M. DOWELL**, chairman of the Clayton Valley group which instigated the annexation study, said, "If we put up \$200,000 for plant expansion, which we aren't going to use, that is our connection charge."

The board replied that, although \$200,000 would pay for sufficient treatment plant facilities for Clayton Valley, the additional money would pay for already-constructed facilities which the area will use.

In addition, the board said that connection fee money would be set aside to increase lines and other equipment when future growth makes it necessary and added that the money would postpone the necessity for bond issues.

## Chamber Seeks Facts to Aid in Solving Problems of Pine Grove, Master Plan

Detailed information on present and estimated future business areas here and on related problems such as population growth and parking facilities will be sought by the Orinda Chamber of Commerce in the next two or three weeks.

At its semi-monthly luncheon meeting at Casa Orinda Tuesday the chamber voted to

gather the data for use by the County Planning Commission's technical staff and the Orinda Planning Committee in their study of the Pine Grove rezoning dispute and of master plan needs for Orinda.

Ramsay Underwood was chosen as chairman of a fact-gathering committee. Underwood reported that Earl Cappel had indicated he would be willing to help get the necessary information.

**ALSO ON TUESDAY**, the County Board of Supervisors referred to the Planning Commission the three recent resolutions of the Orinda Association board on Orinda master plan problems.

These resolutions opposed immediate rezoning of the Pine Grove from residential to commercial, urged the county planners to proceed "as rapidly as possible" with development of a master plan for Orinda and also for the county in general and directed the association's Orinda Planning Committee to continue efforts to secure facts and information and to work directly with the county planners in their Orinda master plan studies.

**DURING THE CHAMBER** discussion, Underwood stressed that the County Planning Commission needs data on why the chamber believes the Pine Grove section, at the northeast corner of the Crossroads, is not suitable for a business district, as sought by East Bay Municipal Utility District.

"This information must be forthcoming, for both the commission and the Orinda Planning Committee, in the next two or three weeks,"

he stated.

**A KEY POINT**, according to Underwood, is the projected population of Orinda. The county planning staff has estimated a future ultimate population of 21,000 here, but at no definite date.

"The question is by what year that figure would be reached," Underwood said.

Parking areas new available and those which will be required in the future were also mentioned by Underwood as items of information needed.

**ALSO LISTED** for ascertainment were the amount of land there is for business in Orinda now, how much of the present business zone is being used, how well the present local businesses are serving this area, possibly future areas of expansion and what other land is available for business.

In connection with the latter point, the land south of the Union service station and the strip along the west side of Orinda Highway, between the Crossroads and the Village, were mentioned. EBMUD is seeking rezoning to retail business grade, as will Virginia Dobyns, who has had experience in Redwood City.

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## Trustees Ask EBMUD Appraisal Of Pine Grove

The Orinda School Board has requested the East Bay Municipal Utility District to have an appraisal made of the Pine Grove land, it was announced this week.

The action took place at the meeting of the school board Monday night at Orinda School.

Joseph L. Sheaff, superintendent of schools, stated that the board would seek two appraisals of its own in order to try to reach an agreement with the utility company.

**EBMUD OFFICIALS** had previously suggested a site across Orinda Highway, directly opposite the Christian Science Church, to the board.

Sheaff and Howard Rowe, representative from the State Department of Schoolhouse Planning, looked the site over and Rowe said it would be acceptable if there were 12 acres available.

Sheaff said that the architect retained by the board could only find about 7 1/2 acres of usable land, and that Rowe would not approve it. He also said there was a problem of road, sewer and utilities which required extensive examination.

Rowe indicated that he would approve the Pine Grove site.

EBMUD officials said that they would have their appraisals in about three weeks and would the school board, and that negotiations will commence at that time.

**IN OTHER ACTION** the board elected Edgar Stewart president and Katherine Schwarck as clerk, both serving in the same capacity as last year.

Two requests were filed for changes in school bus routing. One, in the Orinda Estates area, is under advisement. Sheaff explained that buses have been picking children up at San Pablo Creek Road and Manzanita, and that the request asked the buses to come in further and thus take the children off the highway.

The other was a request from the people who live below Camino Don Miguel and have been sending their children up to Camino Don Miguel to catch the bus. Sheaff said that some of the children had to walk between a half-mile and a mile, and that the change would be considered.

**TWO NEW TEACHERS** were hired for the coming year. Edward Woltz, a graduate of the University of Utah, will teach an intermediate grade, as will Virginia Dobyns, who has had experience in Redwood City.

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# Bus Shelter Plan Sought

When will the bus-waiting shelter at Orinda Crossroads have to be moved to make way for the Freeway Interchange?

Where to move it? What procedure to follow? Should the shelter be sold and a new one built — or should the present structure be moved to a new location?

## Commuters Will Act Against 'Cattle Car' Bus

The Contra Costa County Commuters Association prepared this week to take up battle against what an official described as "resumption of 'cattle car' conditions" in Greyhound commuter bus service.

Vice-president Del Armstrong stated that the recent curtailing of Greyhound commuter service to and from San Francisco will come up for emergency action at the regular meeting of association directors Tuesday night at Acalanes High School.

According to the association, Contra Costa County residents who depend on Greyhound transportation to and from San Francisco had their first taste of the newly curtailed service on Wednesday.

"**ONE THING IS CERTAIN**," said Armstrong, "our people will not settle for a resumption of the 'cattle car' conditions which we have been struggling to correct for the past few years, and we are prepared to take immediate action toward that end, if necessary."

The bus which was deleted was one which had been scheduled May 6 following a six weeks campaign by the association to relieve heavy overcrowding which it had reported existed at that time.

**THE COMPANY GAVE** no reason for its recent action, according to commuter spokesmen.

While the association said exact figures are not available for the morning hours on Wednesday, the general pattern was described as heavy overcrowding, long waiting in line and late arrival by many persons at their places of business or work across the bay.

**THE EVENING SCHEDULE** on Wednesday showed a total of 680 passengers being loaded out of San Francisco between 4:30 and 6 p.m. on 14 buses which provide total seating for 630 persons, according to an official check conducted by the Commuters Association.

"In other words," said Armstrong, "this means that 50 persons going home Wednesday evening were obliged to stand the entire trip from San Francisco to Orinda, or as far as Lafayette in many cases, before securing seats."

## Car Destroyed Near Miner Road

A 1947 Studebaker was found by the California State Highway Patrol Wednesday after it ran off Miner Road and burned, it was reported this week.

The accident occurred about 11:30 p. m. four-tenths of a mile east of Sycamore Road.

According to the Highway Patrol, the automobile was registered to J. H. Scoonover, 1657 1/2 158th Avenue, San Francisco. The patrol reported that there was no one in the car when the investigating officer found it.

These were some of the questions which occupied the Orinda Chamber of Commerce Tuesday during a discussion of the bus shelter problem at the organization's luncheon meeting at Casa Orinda.

Walter Friberg reported that Albert E. Simmons, assistant district engineer for District IV of the State Division of Highways, had said that the shelter, now at the northeast corner of the Crossroads, near the Shell service station, might have to be moved within 60 to 90 days.

**ACCORDING TO** Friberg, Simmons had informed him that the chamber would get notice of necessity to move the shelter — and the shelter might have to be moved one day after receipt of the notice.

Ramsay Underwood announced that the state is prepared to buy the bus shelter or to move it.

**THE STATE IS WILLING** to move the shelter as many times as necessary, up to the point where moving costs equal the structure's total value or replacement cost, Underwood added.

Charles Wood of the Contra Costa County Commuters Association said that the commuter group is of the opinion that the present shelter should be sold to the state, since through such sale the chamber would receive at least as much money as it would cost to build another.

He added that he understood the Commuters Association would be willing to help in construction of a new shelter later.

Discussion on advisability of selling the present structure was led by R. E. Wadsworth, who asked:

**"HAVE WE LEARNED** that it's really necessary to build a better shelter?"

Wadsworth expressed doubt as to the advantage of selling the shelter. He pointed out that there would be a lag between the sale and the erection of a new place.

An "off-the-cuff" estimate by the state of \$500 as the value of the shelter was mentioned by Underwood.

**BLALOCK PROMPTLY** pointed out that that cost of the shelter was over \$1000.

The chamber voted for Friberg and Wadsworth to handle negotiations with the state on the matter. It was also voted to contact the Orinda Garden Club about plants and landscaping at whatever location will be chosen for the new site.

**MENTIONED AS** a possible site in recent press has been a spot on the west side of Orinda Highway, approximately across from the Christian Science Church. This location would be just beyond the freeway route and thus would permit buses to stop for unloading and loading of passengers.

It would also provide necessary space for commuter parking if full space for commuter parking if full space were added and the land were leveled off.

Erection of the present shelter was a Chamber of Commerce project and was made possible by community cooperation in fund-raising, donation of materials, granting of ground-space by Shell, and volunteer "work-parties" for construction.

seriously affect the economy of this county, but raised our tax rate .531, we look with apprehension to the future," the committee added.

**THE COMMITTEE** recommended that claims for general assistance or for aid to needy children on the basis of health or injuries be examined by the County Hospital or one of its clinics.

It also suggested that "case workers be reintroduced in the entire program" and that "their entire philosophy be altered" so that they should "try to keep as many of their cases off of the relief rolls (as possible) and to encourage these people to become self-reliant."

Also, it was suggested that the district attorney's office make routine examinations of as many case histories a month as that office can handle.

"It is the patriotic duty of all citizens," the committee declared, "to make known to the district attorney any cases of chiseling that they may be aware of."

The County Adoptive Agency was given a clean bill of health.

**"IT IS THE OPINION** of your committee," the report stated, "that we have a good adoptive agency in our county and that it fills a much-needed place."

Members of the committee are Chairman Claire Schmidt, Charles Yates of Crockett, William Dickey of Brentwood and Fred Mann of Richmond. Mann was also Grand Jury secretary.

**FOREMAN ROGERS** recommended that the State Legislature be urged to:

1. Make step-fathers responsible for support of their step-children.

2. Tightly up laws on responsibility of fathers to support their illegitimate offspring.

Rogers also suggested that the county medical staff render the final decision on the physical ability of a relief applicant to work.

## On Today's Editorial Page How Long Must We Have Poor Law Enforcement?

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- Under the Sun
- Going on Vacation?
- Martinez Merry-Go-Round

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## It Was Real Hot Every Darn Day

We found the weatherman practically melted into a puddle this week. It was so hot that he didn't even come up with any bright sayings, and he was perspiring too much to gripe. He told us that there was no rain, that the humidity was very low, and handed us the following moist list:

	High	Low
Monday, July 2	86	38
Tuesday, July 3	94	40
Wednesday, July 4	95	47
Thursday, July 5	96	41
Friday, July 6	99	39
Saturday, July 7	93	35
Sunday, July 8	100	45



## Road Work Praised, Jr. College Costs Questioned by Contra Costa Grand Jury

High praise for the County Highway Department under the administration of Road Commissioner Victor W. Sauer, urging of continuing study of Contra Costa Junior College costs and favorable comment on steps toward a countywide master plan are contained in the 1952-53 Grand Jury report, submitted Monday to Superior Judge Homer W. Patterson.

Pointing out that a separate road department under Sauer has been in existence April, 1952, the roads and highways committee, chaired by William D. Dickey of Brentwood, stated:

"IN THE OPINION of members of this committee, an unusually happy selection was made in the appointment of Mr. Sauer to the newly created post. He has proven his ability and skill as an engineer, organizer and administrator.

"We believe the residents and taxpayers of the county will become increasingly aware of this fact during the next few years."

"The \$10,250,000 road bond program, voted last year for major road projects was cited as an example of 'the constructive uses the present county road program is taking.'"

"SINCE TAKING ON his duties in the newly created post last year," the committee reported, "the commissioner has been gradually streamlining the department in an effort to increase its efficiency and get it functioning smoothly, yet keeping the permanent staff as small as possible, consistent with getting the work done."

With the aid of Assistant Road Commissioner, George Berry, the following divisions have been established: the report pointed out: Engineering and planning, construction, maintenance.

STAFFING DIFFICULTIES, for the department were commented on as follows:

"Since all men for these important posts have to be registered engineers, it is sometimes very hard to find just the right man when required. Engineers are not being graduated fast enough to meet the demand for their services."

"However, the commissioner has had luck in some instances in getting men from other areas who wish to reside in Contra Costa County. This problem is another reason for the department's policy of holding its own organization to a safe minimum and contracting out much work."

Staff positions are listed as: Testing and materials engineer, Vic Ebersole; night of way engineer, George Bernas; traffic engineer, job unfilled at time of the report; administrative assistant or office manager, job unfilled at time of the report.

In its discussion of county yards and garages, the committee said: "THE LAFAYETTE YARD, owned by the county, with minor improvements completed and with proposed future improved access, will fill the needs for the Orinda-Lafayette-Moraga Valley area."

"The committee found that 'road building specifications have been and are being changed to greatly improve roads and reduce future maintenance expense.'"

Regarding the new subdivision ordinance being worked out, the report expressed hope "that a formula can be developed which will accomplish the worthwhile intent of assuring a high standard of subdivision road."

MOST OF THE inferior roads in Supervisorial District 2 "are in process of being corrected by bond issue and other planning," the committee stated. It added:

"Of particular interest is the Moraga Valley network with reference to the proposed Shepherd Canyon tunnel from Oakland."

Summing up, the committee observed: "Despite the fact that the county road network is for the most part 25 years and 250,000 additional people behind the times, excellent progress has been and is being made to catch up with present and future traffic loads."

RECOMMENDATIONS included: 1. Early acquiring by the county of adequate acreage, "preferably at the southwest corner of the County Airport," for modern shops and garages to replace "the totally inadequate and outdated facilities" of the main county yard in Martinez.

2. Authorizing the County Highway Department to take over maintenance of all secondary drain ditches.

3. A high standard of subdivision road-building in the new subdivision ordinance.

On the road committee with Chairman Dickey were Charles Ceridono and Frank Genzel, both of Richmond.

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## Can You Help a Family in Need?

The Home Service unit of the Mt. Diablo Red Cross Chapter has issued a plea for articles to help a local family with three children which has just gone through several months of illness and unemployment.

Needed are a washing machine, a double bedstead, a crib for a six month old baby, a refrigerator, a gas stove, a breakfast room table and five chairs, a studio couch-bed and a dresser.

Anyone wishing to donate or dispose of any of the articles listed is asked to call Yellowstone 4-2647 between 1 and 4 p.m. or Yellowstone 4-3905 mornings or evenings.

## New Grand Jury Now in; Granshaw Named Chairman

Presiding Judge Norman A. Gregg of the Superior Court, swore in the 19-member 1953-54 Contra Costa County Grand Jury Monday afternoon, shortly after Superior Judge Homer W. Patterson discharged the 1952-53 Grand Jury.

The new Grand Jury of 17 men and two women was drawn from a panel of 30 in Judge Gregg's courtroom in Martinez. The judge appointed Arthur Granshaw of 1235 Escobar Street, Martinez, as foreman.

The Grand Jury elected T. H. Cotton of 326 Alexander Street, Crockett, as secretary.

Granshaw, chairman of the Martinez Selective Draft Board, was chairman of the boards of the Alhambra Union High School and Martinez Elementary School Districts until his recent resignation.

Cotton is a retired employee of the operating department of the California and Hawaii Sugar Refining Corporation at Crockett.

Other members of the new Grand Jury are:

A. D. Blalock, 24 El Verano, Orinda.

O. J. Wohlgemuth, Box 246, Ygnacio Valley Road, Walnut Creek.

Frank Rose, Concord.

Andrew J. De La Fontaine and Stephen F. Ball of Martinez.

Mary Ellen Calfee and Walter T. Helms of Richmond.

Sidney H. Gnaga Jr., M. M. Snodgrass and F. E. Foster of El Cerrito.

Florence Trautman of Berkeley Park.

Melvin Miller of San Pablo.

Matthew Zuppan of Crockett.

J. M. Forrest and Walter E. Robie of Pittsburg.

Guy T. Savage of Pinole.

William R. Beasley of Antioch.

Suggestions and criticisms from the public should be sent to the Grand Jury foreman or secretary or to the Grand Jury member from one's local community or area.

The new Grand Jury is scheduled to hold its organization meeting July 28.

## Barlow Hollingshead Attends Army School

Barlow Hollingshead, 12 La Cinita Avenue, Orinda, has attended the Army Ordnance Management Engineering School at Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Ill.

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**Androcles and the Lion**  
Jean Simmons, Victor Mature  
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**THE FOUR POSTER**  
Rex Harrison, Lilli Palmer  
SUN. - TUES. - JULY 12 - 14

**By the Light of The Silvery Moon**  
(In Color)  
Doris Day, Gordon MacRae  
—ALSO—  
**Bandits of Corsica**  
Richard Greene

**PARK**  
WED. - SAT. - JULY 8 - 11

**Androcles and the Lion**  
Jean Simmons - Victor Mature  
—ALSO—  
**Prince of Pirates**  
(In Color)  
John Derek  
SUN. - TUES. - JULY 12 - 14

**THE JUGGLER**  
Kirk Douglas  
—ALSO—  
**WILD STALLION**  
Ben Johnson

## Six Men From Local Area Pass State Bar Exam

Six local men were among 60 East Bay residents and 373 other persons who passed the April bar exam, the Committee of Bar Examiners of the State Bar of California announced this week.

The new attorneys from this area include: **ORINDA**—Jay Jacobus, 15 Mariposa Lane, an announcer for Radio Station KLM.

**LAFAYETTE**—Richard T. Tiedeman, 3316 Ridge Road; Frederick E. Van Dorn, 1057 Laurel Drive, and Peter B. Van Gelder, 3363 Dyer Drive.

**WALNUT CREEK**—William D. Hager, 124 Hilltop Crescent, and Darrel E. Williams, 1887 Newell Avenue.

A total of 433 persons passed the April bar exam. This was 63 per cent of the 687 who took the tests and brings to more than 5400 the number of new lawyers admitted to practice in California since the end of World War II.

## Christian Science Sermon Includes Verse from Paul

The Lesson-Sermon for Sunday to be read in all Christian Science churches will include this verse from Paul's Second Epistle to Timothy:

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (4:7).

From the Christian Science text book "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, the following correlative passage will also be read:

"Prayer, watching, and working, combined with self-immolation, are God's gracious means for accomplishing whatever has been successfully done for the Christianization and health of mankind" (p. 1).

The subject of the sermon will be "Sacrament."

## Park Council to See Undeveloped Park in Briones

With all members and friends invited, the Contra Costa Park Council will hold an outing at Hampton Park on the Bear Creek Road, three miles north of Orinda, Sunday at 2 p.m.

Working toward the establishment of a county park system, the park council planned the tour in order to look over existing county facilities. A 70-acre park site in the Briones Hills, Hampton was given to the county by the late Edward J. Hampton and is still undeveloped.

Bruce Chamberlain of Concord, chairman for the tour, suggested that members and guests bring picnic lunches, or at least beverages for children, because no water is available on the property. He promised to supply further information or arrange transportation for anyone calling MU 5-6556.

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## 14 Inch Rattler Killed in Yard

A 14-inch rattlesnake is no plaything, as Mrs. Joseph Freitas 3884 Happy Valley Road, Lafayette, can testify.

It was an ordinary summer afternoon Monday at the Freitas home... the two younger children, Stephen 7, and Colleen, 6, were out in the yard playing. John, 9, Mrs. Freitas and her sister, Mrs. Donna Fuller, were in the kitchen.

"Suddenly the kids outside started yelling rattlesnake, rattlesnake," said Mrs. Freitas. "I've taught them to do that because this is the second rattler we have found on the place."

John, who was in the kitchen, jumped out the door and right over the snake. "Thank God he never walks out the door," she said. "I didn't open the door, but just asked the kids which side the snake was on."

Meanwhile Mrs. Fuller had gone out another door and appeared with a shovel. She tried to kill the snake, but couldn't reach it when it crawled behind a pipe.

"So I got a stick... a fence picket and stuck him right in the neck. He had two rattles and a button."

## Sewer Board to Study Plans For Outfall Sewer

The Board of Directors of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District last week considered the possibility of building an outfall sewer line to Suisun Bay in future years.

Renewal of the Hooper Company lease for this year for land for oxidation ponds lead to the discussion.

District Engineer G. A. Horst-kotte Jr., said that "at the present time" various state health and water pollution control officials do not oppose the outfall sewer line.

The engineer pointed out that construction of such a line from the treatment plant in Pacheco would lessen the number of treatment stages presently required for effluent, thereby enabling the plant to handle a greater population as residential density of the district increases and more and more ponds would become necessary under the present arrangement.

Financing is the major difficulty to be overcome in the outfall project. Directors indicated that the program would be so costly as to be prohibitive now, but authorized Horst-kotte to proceed with more detailed cost studies.

In the meantime, the board expects to explore the possibilities of increasing the oxidation pond area through purchase of more land for the purpose outright, instead of by the present lease system.

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## Supervisors to Meet With EBMUD

The County Board of Supervisors Tuesday directed that a letter be sent to the Board of Directors of the East Bay Municipal Utility District requesting a joint meeting between the two boards.

Purpose of such a meeting would be to discuss the possibility of setting aside certain portions of EBMUD land for use as park and recreation areas.

Deputy County Clerk Mary Smith reported that the board would at least ask the utility company to hold up sale of large acreages until planning had decided how much park area is desirable.

In other action, County Road Commissioner Victor W. Sauer reported that Peter J. Panella of Orinda has agreed to pay 40 per cent of the cost of repairing a slide on Camino Don Miguel in Orinda, and that he has deposited \$2056.80 with the county.

The board also granted the request of Frederick C. Tarrington for a land use permit allowing 10 foot side yards for a residence on lot 25, Sleepy Hollow Knolls, Orinda.

## 3 Area Men Were On '52-'53 Jury

Three Central Contra Costa County men served on the 1952-53 Grand Jury. They were:

Edward M. Larmer of Woodland Way, Lafayette, who was on the public buildings and county properties committee and the juvenile and probation committee.

Crane Walden of Concord, who was chairman of the audit and finance committee and was on the law enforcement committee.

T. O. Edwards of Danville, who was chairman of the agricultural committee and was on the education committee.

## New Accounting Firm Is Opened

A new firm, Turk and Koehler, has opened two offices in this area to provide accounting and auditing.

The offices of the firm will be in the Highland Medical Building in Walnut Creek and in the Orinda Theater Building in Orinda.

Edward J. Turk, one partner, is a Certified Public Accountant in California, Ohio and Illinois. Dennis W. Koehler, the other partner, a CPA, was formerly an examining officer with the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

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## Girl Scouts Plan Money Campaign

Diablo Area Girl Scouts are finishing up plans for a fund campaign in the near future, Mrs. Leonard Ford, president, announced.

Leo Rahn will head the campaign with help from John Lavery, finance chairman, and Darrell Theobald, publicity chairman.

## Many Early Exhibits Listed at State Fair

One hundred sixty-four commercial and industrial exhibits, including 15 from outside California, already have been entered in the California State Fair, to be held at Sacramento Sept. 3 through 13, according to Frank Allen, exhibits supervisor.

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## Calendar of Events

**FRIDAY, JULY 10**  
Orinda Park Pool teen agers' dance, 8 p.m.

**SATURDAY, JULY 11**  
Cadets of Mt. Diablo Civil Air Patrol, Buchanan Field, 2 to 5 p.m.  
Upholstery classes, room 503, Acalanes High School—9 a.m. to noon; 1 to 4 p.m.

**SUNDAY, JULY 12**  
Attend the church of your choice.

**MONDAY, JULY 13**  
Orinda Dramateurs, tryouts for "Ten Nights in a Barroom," Orinda Community Church, 8 p.m.  
Orinda Masonic Lodge 704, First Degree, Orinda Community Church, 7:30 p.m.  
Contra Costa Realtor's Mart breakfast, El Nido, 8 a.m.

**TUESDAY, JULY 14**  
Orinda Dramateurs, tryouts for "Ten Nights in a Barroom," Orinda Community Church, 8 p.m.  
Upholstery classes, room 503, Acalanes High School—9 a.m. to noon; 1 to 4 p.m.; 7 to 10 p.m.  
Acalanes High School District Board, Acalanes High School, 8 p.m.  
Contra Costa County Commuters Association, Acalanes High School, 8 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 15**  
Orinda Rotary Club, Willows, noon.

**THURSDAY, JULY 16**  
Mt. Diablo Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, Buchanan Field, 8 p.m.  
Upholstery classes, room 503, Acalanes High School—9 a.m. to noon; 1 to 4 p.m.; 7 to 10 p.m.

## Drama Group to Hold Tryouts

Tryouts for the Orinda Dramateurs' melodrama "Ten Nights in a Barroom" will be held Monday and Tuesday in the Living Room of the Orinda Community Church at 8 p.m.

The production is scheduled for the last two weekends in August and will be given at the Lafayette Town Hall.

Edward O'Brien will direct the show and Pat Winkworth will be the producer.

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## Cub Pack 211 to Hold Camp-Out

Cub Pack 211 boys and dads are planning a fine trip tomorrow.

The group of about 22 boys and 17 dads under the direction of Dr. Roger Stark will leave tomorrow morning for a day of hiking and games on the slopes of Mt. Diablo.

In the evening, each boy and dad will be responsible for cooking his own steak, while Dr. Stark takes care of fixing the rest of the victuals. He will also prepare the hotcakes with pure maple syrup for the Sunday morning breakfast.

Saturday night at 9 p.m., the group will signal with the headlights of their cars to a group of mothers who gather on a dead-end road in the Sleepy Hollow district of Orinda.

"This worked out quite successfully last year," said Dr. Stark. "We have mothers who can use Morse code and we said good night and so forth. It was lots of fun."

The group will spend the night at one of the public camps near the top of the mountain and will return sometime Sunday morning.

With the exception of an occasional baseball game, this will end the Pack's activities for the summer.

## Lutheran Men Are Remodeling

The men of the Shepherd-of-the-Valley Lutheran Church on Moraga Highway, under the direction of Mr. Leonard Odenthal, have started to remodel the garage to expand the Sunday School area.

This additional area will also serve as a meeting room for the Teenage Group which has just started to meet, as well as additional space for the Vacation Church School to be held August 3 through 14.

All who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are invited to take part in the communion service at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday morning, when the Reverend Edward R. Andersen will speak on the subject "First Be Reconciled To Your Brother."

Orville Jones, who is cub master of a Lafayette Pack and insurance auditor for the Industrial Indemnity Insurance Company, will be the guest speaker at the Sunday School Family Worship Service at 9:30 Sunday morning.

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## Pine Grove Solution Sought

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mented, "the state plans are well enough along, it would seem, for the county to do something about its plans."

The state is expected to call for bids for the interchange job next month.

"Orinda Highway is the key to future business development in Orinda," declared Dr. Ed McCord, chamber vice-president, who presided at the meeting.

Ned de Laveaga suggested that in opposing the Pine Grove rezoning the chamber and the community submit a definite alternate plan.

THAT PROPER business section development of the connection from the Crossroads to the Village would be good planning was emphasized by Postmaster Laura Mallory.

Andy Ballock pointed out that the Orinda member of the County Planning Commission, Joseph D. De Costa, is an East Bay Municipal Utility District executive and that, therefore, De Costa has certain loyalties to EBMUD as well as to his community.

Ballock said his remark was not any criticism of De Costa's integrity. De Costa is manager of distribution for EBMUD.

DONN SIGERSON, chairman of the Orinda Planning Committee, and John W. McFarland, EBMUD general manager, were still trying yesterday to agree on wording of a proposed joint letter to the Board of Supervisors asking for an early meeting of the board with representatives of the Planning Committee and EBMUD regarding the Pine Grove and related problems.

Sigerson dictated to McFarland's secretary a revised version of his suggestion for a joint letter, in which he eliminated reference to (which had been objected to by McFarland) to possibility that, if the Orinda master plan is accelerated, EBMUD would not push its rezoning application and the Orinda Association would not enter objections.

"I'm going to suggest that we just write a letter not stressing any particular issue but just asking for a joint meeting with the board," McFarland said.

"It seems to me that if we merely stated that such a joint meeting might lead to an 'amicable settlement' of the controversy, that would be sufficient."

"WE WANT OUR rezoning application acted upon, but in such a way as to please all concerned, if possible. We're not going to commit ourselves to anything, pending the joint meeting. If the Board of

## Dorothy Morrow To Be Soloist

Dorothy Morrow has been chosen as soloist for the summer church service to be held at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Orinda Community Church of which her father is minister.

She will sing Mozarts' "Lord, We Pray Thee." Daniel Popovich will preside at the organ playing a Choral of Bach, "Berceuse" by Stavinisky, and a Fugue in D minor, also by Bach. Rev. Morrow continues his summer series of sermons speaking this week on "Living Maturely."

"Return to Jerusalem," a Cathedral sound film, will be shown as part of the summer session series on the life of Paul in the Sunday school. All grade school children participate in this part of the program, meeting in the Fellowship hall. Separate departmental worship and story sessions are held in the Children's Unit for pre-school children. Mrs. R. F. Grah is the leader.

All Orinda neighbors are welcome to be present at the worship hour and to bring their children to the special summer school sessions.

## More on School Board Meeting

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ment of Architecture for approval. Bids are expected to be let about August 1, with a completion date set for sometime next spring.

The board will hold a special meeting some day next week to consider the budget.

Bids were opened for furniture for the Moraga Del Rey School, but no awards have been made yet. There were seven bidders.

Supervisors and the Planning Commission feel that the master plan is an essential factor "it's up to them to say so."

Despite the disagreement on wording of the letter, McFarland said he felt that "the situation is working itself out," since the county planners have agreed to delay scheduling public meets with Charles Hayes Diggs, county planning consultant.

SIGERSON SAID yesterday that the conference with Diggs is expected to be held around July 20.

Arrangements for the conference will probably be made after De Costa returns from Chicago next week, Sigerson said. As new president of the Lions Club of Oakland, De Costa is in Chicago for the Lions International Convention.

## About our happy Country Folks

By EDITH BOLMAN

Interesting result of a long correspondence: Several years ago Joe Foster and a boy in France started writing letters to each other and became firm, fast friends in spite of the fact they had never met. Now Joe is in Europe, so one of the first things on the agenda for Paris was to meet "Claude." Their evening together took in "Le Chien qui Fume" (where they ate) and spots in Montmartre (where they looked) and, all in all, it gave Joe a far better idea of French France than he would have had otherwise.

ANOTHER SIDELIGHT on the same subject—because of the correspondence in French, and Joe's high school courses, he is able to get around very well—in direct contrast to our high school French which got us into several unexpected situations but certainly didn't get us around.

Cocktail party for Jeannie St. Hill and Peter Ley at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Plant. Jeannie wore a "garden party" dress which had originally been in her mother's trousseau.

What is the proper method of weighing a fish which is too large for the weighing apparatus at hand? If you weigh one end, then the other, and divide the result by the product of the means after having been subtracted by the hypotenuse you don't really get much out of it. If you just try to stand the fish on end on the scales you don't get much out of that either. Well, anyway Edward Maloney of the Charles Hill Maloney's (we are trying very hard to use all the expressions of the fancy society columnists but have never had a chance to throw in that one before) caught a forty pound striped bass while fishing on the Fred Derighis' boat, ship, yacht, schooner—oh, oh, we forgot to ask and you know how touchy people can be about that sort of thing.

Edward brought fishy home to Mama and Papa and thereafter followed the attempted solving of that conundrum about how to weigh a forty pound fish on the bathroom scales. The balancing act of boy plus fish plus Mama and Papa was something to behold and finally fishy ended up in the bath tub—there to confound the less intrepid members of the family—until such time as he was carted off to the staffer's because of course fishy will be planked and hung on the wall for future generations of Maloney's to admire.

OBVIOUSLY THERE is just no end to the ingenuity of an Orindan. Mrs. Ron Schacht has cornered the do-the-best-you-can-with-what-you-have-at-hand market. While shopping at one of the local stores she takes small daughter Vickie in with her for the purpose of assisting with the hauling and draying. But there is the problem of baby Elizabeth who is really too young to sit in the car without an escort. So—like the statue of the Indian looking into the distance with hand shielding eyes from the sun—she scans the sidewalk in one direction, then the other, and latches onto some likely gent—approximately nine years old—and inveigles him into baby sitting "for a slight fee."

That operating being thoroughly satisfactory to all parties concerned, she invites a young lady friend of Vickie—home for dinner and permits the visiting lady—age 11—to feed baby Elizabeth. There is no monetary transaction on this one because it would be too difficult to figure who should pay what to whom—the visiting lady was so tickled with the whole deal that she would be quite charmed to split her allowance with Mrs. Schacht for the thrill and privilege of repeating said operation at regular specified intervals.

Mr. and Mrs. William Vaughan have returned from the East where they had time to see four shows in New York and visit in Cape Cod before having to cut their trip short unexpectedly. On the Fourth of July, after having figured out the time difference properly, instead of backwards like we always do, they called friends in Cape Cod to say hello to a group which had been gathered for a party in their honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Sheldon were recent visitors staying at the Claremont Hotel.

HAVE YOU EVER gone to the Sunday morning breakfast shenanigans at the El Nido? Well sir, it is more darned fun and, for some reason, comes as a complete surprise. First thing, you go in and head for a likely spot by the window and, when seated, realize that you are alone. Husband seems to have wandered off in a daze toward the swimming pool—lured by the smell of coconut oil no doubt. Small daughter has gotten herself entangled with a flock of gourds and tom-toms on the orchestra platform. In due course you wave them back to your side and then comes the menu. Eggs with ham, eggs with bacon and "desert eggs." With discreet interrogation you gain the information that "desert eggs" are served with a seasoning of sand and it sounds so tempting you just can't resist it. (Note from consumer—information is misleading.)

You eat and eat and then the festivities commence—people sing, dance, play instruments, give away French bread and salami and then—just as you have a capacity load of bacon and eggs in your mouth the gentlemen with the portable microphone comes over and asks you, most confidentially, what is your name, occupation, opinion of this and that, and, for heaven's sake, WHERE did you buy that hat! After you have reassembled your wits and your bacon and eggs you shoot your answers into that tube with the soup strainer on the end and are amazed to hear your own voice bouncing around the walls. There last Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Rasmussen with out of town guests. When interviewed Mr. R. said he was in the trucking business and Mrs. R. said he was in the transportation business which should have brought forth a "moving" comment but neither we nor the emcee could think of one.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martin gave an unusual dinner party recently for 16 people. They all boarded the Richard Breuner's power cruiser, the Trimmership, and cruised and cocktailled over to the St. Francis Yacht Club for dinner. We asked what was the occasion for such a lovely party and who was the guest of honor and the answers for both were the same—full moon.

## Rites Held For Mrs. Hauerken

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning for Margaret Duthie Hauerken, wife of George H. Hauerken, 15 Vida Descansada, Orinda.

The private services were held at the Albert Brown Mortuary in Oakland, and were followed by cremation at the Chapel of the Chimes.

Mrs. Hauerken died Monday at Peralta Hospital after a short illness. She also leaves a sister, Jay Duthie.

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## St. Stephen's to Hold Early Rites

In celebration of the Sixth Sunday after Trinity, the order of morning prayer will be conducted for members of St. Stephen's Episcopal church by the Rev. Charles M. Hill, at 8:30 a.m. in the Orinda Community chapel.

Mrs. T. J. Fahay, organist and choirmaster for St. Stephen's, will offer as organ solos, "Cantilena Pastorale" by Harris and "Grand Choeur in F" by Salome. The choir will sing as offertory anthem, "Rejoice the Lord is King" by Parker.

Rehearsals for St. Stephen's Choir will continue throughout the summer months, and will be held weekly at the home of Mrs. Fahay, 12 Overhill road.

Investigation by the Organ committee is all but completed, according to James A. Brown, chairman, whose report was submitted to the Auxiliary Board of Directors recently.

Formed to conduct research throughout the Bay Area on the merits of various types and brands of organs for use in the new St. Stephen's church, to be constructed this year on Via Las Cruces in Orinda, the committee has traveled from one church to the other, with Mrs. Fahay playing each organ and the committee appraising and judging.

So thoroughly has the committee's work been done that the board voted unanimously to allow Brown's group to make complete and final selection of the organ for St. Stephen's, rather than to merely serve in advisory capacity, as originally planned.

## Rotary Suffers In Baseball Tilt

The Orinda Rotary Club met Wednesday noon at the Willows to lick its wounds.

The wounds were caused by a 16 to 5 loss suffered at the hands of the Lafayette Rotary Club in a baseball game Monday evening at Acalanes High School.

As an Orindan put it, "We did fine until the second inning when Lafayette broke out a case of beer. We just seemed to deteriorate after that. Of course, Lafayette had its own umpire again."

Frank Colburn of the Hobby Shop in Oakland was the speaker. He was sponsored by the Havens tool company and demonstrated the types of power tools found in the home and their uses.

Program chairman for the year is George Eberhart.

It was announced that Rotarian Bill Seroy has returned from the Hospital in Red Bluff where he was taken after suffering a heart attack while attending a Rotary convention there last month. He is reported to be much improved.

BRYAN PORTER

A son, Bryan Porter, was born to the Mervyn H. Porters of 85 Orchard Road, Orinda, Tuesday at Alta Bates hospital in Berkeley. He weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces.

## Gossip for Gourmets

by E. J. Phair

One thing about having a store like this, I get to sample a lot of wonderful food I might never be aware of.

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## 'Aid to Korea' Fund Drive On

The Orinda "Aid to Korea" drive is only a part of a national drive being conducted by Milton Eisenhower, it was pointed out this week by Postmaster Mrs. Laura Mallory.

According to Mrs. Mallory, the program is the beginning of a long-range rehabilitation process started years ago in Korea by American GI's who donated to orphanages and hospitals out of their own pay. These GI's have contributed 31 million dollars to Korean Aid since the war started, and this is a program to acquaint the American citizen at home with the project and let him in on it.

Mrs. Mallory emphasized that "Aid to Korea" is not a clothing drive, but a drive for rehabilitation funds, which is going on all over the country.

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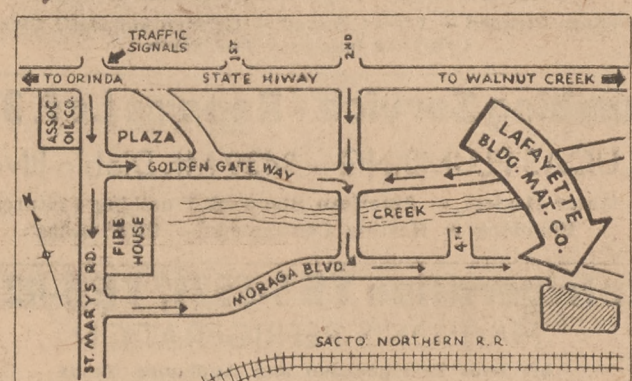
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## SPORTS

### Tiny's, Forbrag's To Play in Invite Softball Tourney

The softball nines of Forbrag's Realtors and Tiny's Hut will represent the city when the Walnut Creek Softball Association Invitational Tournament begins in the City Park next week.

Ten teams from other cities will battle with the local horseholders for championship and consolation honors.

Two tourney games will be played each night from Monday through Saturday next week. It will be a "quick death" tournament where teams will be eliminated with one loss.

The only teams that will have a come back chance will be the losers of Friday night's contests who will play for the consolation Saturday, while winners play for the championship.

All games will last the full seven innings, or more in case of a tie. The association is furnishing officials for the games, according to Les Lloyd, tourney director. The games will be played with a Wilson Double AA softball.

Teams for other cities that will fight for honors will be Sale Brothers of San Leandro, Maude's Coffee Shop of Oakland, Nevada Club of Antioch, Catiline Homes of Pittsburg, ABC Ambulance of San Leandro, Alameda Naval Air Station, Port Chicago Naval Magazine, Tri-City Auto of Rodeo, Yacht Club of Martinez, and Hunts Food of Hayward.

### Caswell Third in Hard Top Ranks

When the BCRA hard tops resume their weekly racing activities at Contra Costa Stadium tonight, Bob Caswell of Walnut Creek will be defending his third place in championship point standings.

Lee Humphreys of Richmond is pressing the local pilot and may overtake him tonight. Caswell missed last week's program to drive in a stock car race at Sacramento.



CROSSING THE PLATE to put the fourth run on the scoreboard for Rick's Drive-In is Ed Kalleyman, right fielder. Al Centivitch, Tiny's Hut catcher, looks for the ball that didn't make it in time. But when the game was over Monday night Tiny's Hut led 5-4. — SUN Photo by Jack Groth.

### Golfers Still Blast in Orinda

The Orinda Country Club Fourth of July Invitational meet ended the second round of match play with Eugene G. Brown of Richmond shooting five under par golf Sunday.

Brown will meet Tai Smith, the Alameda automaton tomorrow morning in the championship flight. Smith, who recently won the Northern California Amateur title at Orinda, defeated Jack Barreau to arrive at his place in the sun for tomorrow's match.

Orinda Club Champion Frank McCann downed banker Byron Lewis and will meet Tom Corbett, a former Orinda member. Corbett had previously done away with Bob Roos Jr.

Hi Hennings, another Orinda Country Club member, will tangle clubs with Perry Holmes, a dangerous golfer who defeated Dormer Peterson in a match in which he only used 28 putts.

The match will be completed this weekend when the championship flights play both quarter and semi-final rounds on a double match schedule.

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### The Week Ahead in Softball

All games are played in the Walnut Creek City Park. The first game begins at 7:30 p.m. and the second game at 9 p.m.

**FRIDAY, JULY 10**  
Grodin's of California will play Forbrag's Realtors.

**MONDAY, JULY 13**  
Walnut Creek Invitational Softball Tournament begins. Game 1—Tiny's Hut of Walnut Creek will play Maude's Coffee Shop of Oakland.

Game 2—Sale Brothers of San Leandro will play the Nevada Club of Antioch.

**TUESDAY, JULY 14**  
Game 3—Catiline Homes of Pittsburg will play ABC Ambulance of San Leandro.

Game 4—Forbrag's Realtors of Walnut Creek will play Naval Air Station of Alameda.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 15**  
Game 5—Port Chicago Naval Magazine will play Tri-City Auto of Rodeo.

Game 6—Martinez Yacht Club will play Hunts Food of Hayward.

**THURSDAY, JULY 16**  
Game 7—Winner of game 1 will play winner of game 2. Game 8—Winner of game 3 will play winner of game 4.

**FRIDAY, JULY 17**  
Game 9—Winner of game 5 will play winner of game 6. Game 10—Winner of game 7 will play winner of game 8.

**SATURDAY, JULY 18**

Consolation game—Loser of game 9 will play loser of game 10. Championship game—winner of game 9 will play winner of game 10.

### Drive-Inners Down Grodins Nine, 6-3

Rick's Drive-In beat cellar place Grodins Wednesday night in the Walnut Creek City Park, 6-3, in a game that was theirs all the way.

In the top of the first, Rick's took the lead with two runs. The game was scoreless until the top of the sixth when Rick's used two errors combined with three hits to bring in three more tallies.

Grodins came back in the second half of the same frame to make five hits pay off with three runs. Two more hits in the top of the seventh gave the drive-in nine.

another point on the score board. Rick's took honors in statistics too, as they belted 11 hits and made a single error. Grodins' tapped Gus Teixeira for 6 hits while committing six errors.



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## Your Garden

### Attention, Ladies—Variety of Herbs Can Be Easily Grown in Small Garden

By BERT WRIGHT

**MOST MEN WILL BYPASS HERBS** in favor of begonias, dahlias, sweet corn, tomatoes or other plants that really "make a show."

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Many herbs, such as basil, marigold, poppy, sweet marjoram, saffron and parsley, are, in addition, valuable as flowering plants.

Herbs do not have particular soil requirements; in fact, their growth will be more compact if no plant food at all is used in ordinary good garden soil.

**THE LEAVES** of herbs that are to be dried for winter use should be gathered just previous to the appearance of the flowers. These

leaves should be picked at midday and dried in a cool, shaded place in order to retain as much as possible of the essential oils which impart their flavors.

When thoroughly dried, the leaves may be crushed and stored in tightly stoppered bottles or jars.

When the crop consists of seeds, flower heads or seed pods they should be gathered just before the seeds start to fall and placed on papers to complete the drying.

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**Mustards** are annuals easily grown from seeds sown in the spring. Variants of them are used as pot herbs, for salads, while the seeds are often used for seasoning pickles.

**CORANDER** is a slender plant, 1 to 3 feet high, bearing white flowers. The young leaves may be used for flavoring soups and salads.

**Basil** grows about a foot high, with small white flowers. The plants may be potted up in the fall and grown in the window garden to supply fresh leaves during the winter.

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# Social and Clubs

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## Alpha Delta Pi to Hold Lei Luncheon

Plans are being finalized for the Lei Luncheon of the Diablo Alumnae Association of Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

The affair, to include luncheon, swimming, cards and socializing, will be held Thursday at the home of Mrs. Miles Hudson in Acalanes Valley, Lafayette.

It is open to the public and the proceeds made from \$2.50 admission fees will be used to benefit the sorority unit's favorite charity, the Contra Costa Juvenile Hall. It will begin at noon with cocktails.

Mrs. M. V. Wolbert of Lafayette will serve as chairman of the day. The Hawaiian theme decorations are the responsibility of Mrs. Frank Hunt of Piedmont who will be helped by Mrs. Kenneth Keeler of Lafayette and Mrs. Thomas F. Cullen of Orinda.

Other members planning for the event are: Mrs. Phillip Knot Jr. and Mrs. Robert Wiscarver of Walnut Creek, cocktail hour; Mrs. William E. Snyder of Lafayette, properties; Mrs. William Bradley of Walnut Creek, food; Mrs. Carrell Peterson of Oakland, supplies; Mrs. Paul Harrison and Mrs. Thomas Cullen of Orinda, invitations; Mrs. A. H. Hewitt of Walnut Creek, tickets; and Mrs. Richard Doolin of Walnut Creek and Mrs. Peterson, reservations.

## Woodland Lodge Is Scene of Gay Weekend Parties

Woodland Lodge, the Harvey B. Lyon estate in Lafayette, was the scene of much activity last weekend.

Clustered around the pool and cooling off in the blue waters were Dr. and Mrs. Richards Lyon of Berkeley and their three little daughters, one of whom, Kathy, celebrated her fourth birthday recently.

Dr. Ted Lyon and his bride are down from Scotia for festivities connected with Mrs. Ted Lyon's brother's wedding. Mrs. Lyon is the former Susan Ley of Orinda.

Peter Ley and Jeanne St. Hill are planning to be married July 18. Other visitors who have dropped in at the lodge, or who will drop in at any time, are the Charlie Fraziers of Hawaii and the Ralph Deweys (cousins) of Berkeley.

Later in the summer the Lyons expect to spend several weeks at their son Ted's cabin at "The Cedars" in the High Sierras, as will Richards and Carol Lyon.

## Knobels Entertain Acalanes Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knobel entertained at a Sunday morning brunch at their Lafayette home for members of the board of the Acalanes Parents Club and their husbands or wives recently.

The affair was an outdoor barbecue in the Knobels' gardens, and assisting the host and hostess were Pat Myers and Sue Adair, Acalanes High School sophomore girls.

Guests included Messrs. and Mesdames H. E. Egertis, E. E. Rowland and R. C. McBride, Walnut Creek; Homer Fey and Stanley Walgren, Sun Valley; Hugh Dunham, Canyon; Albert Wahl and John Fry, Lafayette; Donald Kroetz, Joe F. Conley and Lance Bardin, Orinda.

Unable to attend were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alman of Walnut Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Johnson of Lafayette.

## Demo Clubs to Hold First Picnic July 19

The Central Contra Costa Democrats will hold their first annual picnic Sunday, July 19, at Castle Rock Park, starting at noon.

All Democratic club members and all interested Democrats in the county are invited to attend. Bring your own picnic lunch. Free beer and free lemonade will be provided. Swimming, dancing and entertainment with dance music by Henry Gallagher's orchestra, are planned.

## Stutz Family Moves

Newcomers to Lafayette are Mr. and Mrs. Herman N. Stutz and their daughter, Sharon Lee, 6.

The Stutzs moved this week from San Francisco to 660 Los Palos Drive, Lafayette, where they will make their home. Stutz is co-owner of Lucky Furniture in Walnut Creek.

## O'Neals Come Back

Former Orindans Don and Pat O'Neal, who have been living in Fresno, have returned to Orinda, where they have a home on Meadow View Road. The O'Neals have two little daughters who are also happy to be back in Contra Costa County.

## Vincent's Move Here

Being welcomed by a large number of friends in Lafayette are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vincent and their son, Gene, who have just moved from Oakland to their new home at 826 Acampo Drive in the Lafayette Highlands.

## Watsons Return

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Watson, 108 Overhill Road, Orinda, have just returned from a few days at Pebble Beach.

They stayed at the Del Monte Lodge.

## Music Teachers

### Return from Annual Confab in Stockton

A group of eight music teachers from Contra Costa County returned last week from the four-day 43rd Annual Convention, of the Music Teachers Association of California which was held in Stockton from June 28 to July 2.

Mrs. Clara King Floyd, president of the Contra Costa unit, led the delegation.

Others were Virginia Blair, Mrs. Mary Souza, Mrs. Myra Tagg, Mrs. Nellie Alexander, Mrs. Georgette Johnson, Mrs. Doris Marliave and Mrs. Diana Morgan.

## John Ryans Plan Six Month Europe Jaunt

The John C. Ryans (Ann Park Trefts) of 40 Las Palomas, Orinda, are planning a six months trip to Europe.

They intend to leave August 1 on a freighter which will take them to Antwerp via the Panama Canal. The trip will take a month each way.

Their four months abroad will be spent in London, Dublin, Switzerland, Rome, Venice, Spain, Portugal, and other places of interest, including a three week stay on the Italian Riviera.

They also plan to spend a week in Madrid and the Christmas season in Paris.

Mrs. Ryans' three youngsters, Park, Pamela and Linnet Trefts will go along also.

## Here Comes the Bride

### Lois Ford Wed to William Hoskins in Evening Ceremony

Lois Scott Ford and William Eugene Hoskins were married July 3 at the Lafayette Community Methodist Church at 8 p.m.

Miss Marilyn Hoskins and Donald L. Hoskins of Lafayette attended the couple, and the bride was given in marriage by Reverend Harry Shaner.

**LOIS IS A DAUGHTER** of W. B. Scott, Colville, Wash., newspaper editor, and Mrs. Scott, and the widow of George A. Ford. She previously studied at Eastern Washington College and is currently a sophomore student at the University of California.

William is a son of P.C. Professor William M. Hoskins and Mrs. Hoskins, of 3476 Springhill Road, Lafayette. He received his bachelor's degree from the Berkeley campus and is now doing further work there.

**BOTH HAVE TRAVELED** extensively in Europe. William received his master's degree at the University of London.

The couple plans to live in Berkeley.

## Powells Have Guests

Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Powell of Moraga Road, Lafayette, are acting as host and hostess for their daughter, her husband and their two small children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Flanders, who live in Minneapolis, Minn., are spending the summer here while he acts as an assistant professor at the University of California. He is on the teaching staff of the University of Minnesota.

The Flanders will spend part of their time in Berkeley with Ned's parents, the Fred A. Flanders.

## Dinner Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Gible of Stevenson Drive in Pleasant Hill recently entertained the Lester S. Youngs of Vancouver, Wash., for dinner.

In the area on a business and pleasure trip, the Youngs stayed about a week.

## Nimmos Return

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nimmo and their five daughters returned recently from a two week vacation in Kansas, where they visited Mrs. Nimmo's family.

The Nimmos live at 710 Los Palos Drive, Lafayette.

## Family Visits

Rev. and Mrs. Frederick Behrman and their two small sons are visiting her parents, the A. Meuniers of Palomares Street, Lafayette, before returning in a week or so to their home near Portland, Ore.

## Mrs. DeTar Travels

Mrs. Keith DeTar, 415 Lexington Road, Concord, will leave tomorrow night by plane for Boston, Mass., with her daughter, Sheila, 18 months.

She will visit her parents for about a month and then fly back.

## Curtis's Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Curtis and their three children of Roberts Road, Orinda, are vacationing near Medford, Ore., at Mr. Curtis' family's summer home.



**ROMANCE BLOOMS AGAIN**, as it does throughout the year. At left, Mr. and Mrs. John David Rosefield (Bonnie Jean Jeffreys) leave Piedmont Community Church after their recent wedding. Bonnie Jean is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Jeffreys, now of Santa Rosa but formerly well-known Lafayette residents. John is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John O. Rosefield, of Piedmont. He's in the Army now, so the newlyweds "at home" will be

subject to Uncle Sam's orders. At right is Kathleen "Kit" McCabe, whose engagement to "Jim" George D. Forni, son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Forni of 1640 Newell Avenue, Walnut Creek, was recently announced. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mrs. Charlotte McCabe of San Leandro. A definite date has not yet been set for the wedding.

—Hal Matson photos

## DeMolay Members

### To Fete Mothers

The DeMolay Mothers of Las Trampas Chapter will meet Monday at 7:30 at the Masonic Temple.

They will be entertained by the DeMolay boys. All members are urged to attend.

## Millers Have Guest

V. George Miller, whose home is in Providence, Rhode Island, is spending his vacation in Lafayette. Miller is the guest at his son's home on Chestnut Street.

The easterner had such an enjoyable stay in Lafayette two years ago when he visited with his young relatives, the George E. Millers, that he flew out here again for this year's vacation.

## Josie Larsen and Melvin Querio Plan October Wedding

An October wedding is in store for Miss Josie Larsen and Melvin Querio, it was revealed by her parents at an open house party.

Miss Larsen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Verne Larsen of 730 Palmer Road in Walnut Creek. She attended Oregon State College where she was a member of Alpha Xi Delta.

Querio is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Querio of 380 Muller Road in Walnut Creek. A graduate of Acalanes High School, he attended a radio and television school in Burbank.

## Betty Blankenship To Marry Hartley Fairclough Soon

Betty Joanne Blankenship announced her engagement to Richard Hartley Fairclough Jr. at an informal gathering at the home of Mrs. R. L. Newhouse, 919 Hough Avenue, Lafayette.

Betty is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle S. Blankenship, 3542 Brook Street, Lafayette. Hart, as her fiancé is known to his friends, is the son of the senior Faircloughs of Los Gatos.

Both of them teach at Mt. Diablo High School. Hart is a coach, while Betty teaches girls physical education. Both graduated from the University of California. Hart in 1949 and Betty in 1950.

Wedding plans are indefinite. Betty is a graduate of Acalanes High School, class of 1946.

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## Arenson in Canada

Paul J. Arenson, 52 Dolores Way, Orinda, earned charter membership in the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company's exclusive "400" Club, and attended the company's educational conference June 24 through 27 at Jasper Park Lodge in the Canadian Rockies.

He is a member of the Forrest J. Curry Agency, located at 98 Post Street, San Francisco.

## Snel Named Head Of Diabio Choral

Nico D. Snel was recently named director of the Diabio Valley Choral at the group's May luncheon at the home of Faith Haight in Happy Valley.

Snel is known as the director of the Diabio Chapter of Sweet Adelines.

## At Catalina Island

Mrs. Michael Hacker of 900 Diablo Drive and her 14-year-old daughter, Dee, are vacationing at Catalina Island.

They went there a week ago and expect to return home by Tuesday.

## Browns at Del Monte

Mr. and Mrs. Perc S. Brown, 29 Camino Don Miguel, Orinda, are spending a few days at Del Monte Lodge, Pebble Beach, California.

## Enjoy Weekend Trip

The Angus V. McLeods of Greenwood Court, Orinda, spent a pleasant weekend at the popular Sonoma Mission Inn.

## Folk Dance Clubs' Affair on July 24

### To Aid Needy Couple

A benefit dance to raise funds for an unusual situation will be held on Friday evening, July 24, in the Legion Hall in Walnut Creek, sponsored by the Walnut Whirlers and backed by all 11 clubs of the Diablo Council of Folk Dance and Square Dance Clubs, local unit of the California Federation of Folk Dancers.

Bev Wilder of Walnut Creek is chairman of the project.

While no admission charge will be made, everyone is requested to buy one or more one-dollar tickets to support the cause.

**AT LAST MONTH'S** business meeting of the Diablo Council it was found that a popular young couple, recent newcomers to the suburbs, had encountered unexpected troubles.

The young husband was found to have an incurable affliction; his wife had to find part-time work to help out and yet take care of two children; he had a number of operations but the doctors can offer no encouragement. Then it was found the wife is going to have twins in the next few months.

**THIS YOUNG COUPLE** refuse to accept sympathetic offers of help from friends and neighbors, yet are in serious need.

In the short time they have lived in Walnut Creek they made many friends and proved to be enthusiastic folk dancers. So the Walnut Whirlers broached the idea of a benefit, secured the backing of the council, persuaded Bev Wilder to be chairman, arranged for the use of the Legion Hall and are now busy selling benefit tickets.

All local folk dance clubs have tickets for sale and will welcome contributions from all residents.

**THERE WILL BE ROOM** for spectators who wish to look on, in addition to plenty of floor space for all to dance through the entire program.

It can be well understood why the name of the young couple can not be revealed, and it is heartening to hear the response of folk dancers to help members in difficulty.

**THE DIABLO COUNCIL**, is also busy with final plans for the big Federation Festival to be held in Walnut Creek Sunday afternoon and evening, August 30.

All but final plans will be agreed upon at the council business meeting. Walnut Creek tonight and will be announced next week, according to Glenn Ward, Festival chairman.

## Church Has Mother Daughter Banquet

More than 50 guests attended the annual mother-daughter banquet held at the Lafayette Covenant Church recently.

The affair was sponsored by the Covenant Women's Fellowship and arranged by Mrs. E. A. Peterson, Mrs. Dick Lotter and Mrs. Winston Malmquist, the refreshment committee.

A program featured games and vocal and instrumental arrangements. Entertainers were Patty Lotter, Shawnee Juarez, Nancy Peterson and Michelle Engelbrekston.

Mrs. F. V. Custer addressed the gathering, speaking on "A View of Africa." Readings were given by Doris Bergesen and Jeannie Wood.

## Papsie Georgian Takes Swim Place

Papsie Georgian, 7 year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Georgian, 4030 Happy Valley Road, Lafayette, won the solo event for children, 12 years old and under in synchronized swimming.

The event was a part of the Junior Olympics held at Temescal Pool in Oakland recently.

Papsie's sister, Darlene, 5, also took part in the event. Both children swim with the Athens Athletic Club Water Folies.

## Sheets Entertain

Mrs. George Sheets of 174 Orinda Highway is enjoying the visit of her mother, Mrs. Elmer Sheppard of Logan, Ohio, who came here in time to attend the graduation of her grandson, Ray Sheets, from Acalanes.

## Heins Home Again

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hein, 697 Los Palos Drive, Lafayette, and family have just returned from four days at Pinecrest.

## Neophytes Come to Alpha Epsilon Unit Party as Titles

### "Come As A Song Title," was the theme of the new Neophyte's Alpha Epsilon Sorority party held recently at the home of Mrs. Betty Kenworthy in Gregory Gardens.

All members came costumed as song titles and after the identity each was guessed, the remainder of the evening was spent playing "Hades Bridge."

Refreshments were served by the hostess and the two other new members, Mrs. Thordis Scott also of Gregory Gardens and Mrs. Eileen Teigland of Lafayette.

Members attending were the Mesdames Kenneth Rambo, Danville; Carleton Doka, Leland Krebs, Sunny Lee, Jack Dennis and Thomas Snow, Walnut Creek; Francis Wyatt, Kenneth Diechler and Robert Klemmedson, Orinda; Vivian Plaz, Oakland, and Dean Lenzi of Pleasant Hill.

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## John Louis Boyen Christening Held

John Louis Boyen, 4-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Boyen of 4 Via Florencia was christened June 21 by the Rev. David Hamilton at Santa Maria Catholic Church.

John's godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Raskob of 48 Charles Hill Road.

After the christening ceremony the family and friends went to the Raskob home for dinner on the patio. All toasted champagne to the new baby and also to Father's Day, which was that day.

## Women's Wear At Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop at 1360 Locust Street, Walnut Creek, operated by Linnet Auxiliary for the benefit of Mt. Diablo Therapy Center, will be open today at 10 a.m.

This weekend women's blouses, cotton skirts and dishes are featured both days. On Saturday play clothes and swimming suits, including boys' trunks will be featured.

Today Mrs. Reginald Biggs will be in charge of sales. On Saturday Mrs. J. R. Lar Rieu is chairman for the day. Mrs. Lar Rieu reminds patrons that the shop closes at 3 p.m. on Saturday.

## New Hospital Guild Names First Officers

At the first meeting to be held since announcement of Herrick Hospital Guild's new "Crown of Jewels" auxiliary organization, officers were elected to head activities of the women's group, which supplements medical and welfare work of the community hospital.

Present at the Council of Arches meeting were presidents of the various sections — or Arches — of the new auxiliary. Representing the Contra Costa County Arch of Diamonds was Mrs. T. Roy Hoover.

East of Tunnel members of Crown of Jewels include Mrs. Warren N. Bogges, P. O. Box 456, Concord; Mrs. Jay C. Crosaut, 60 Greenway Drive, Walnut Creek; Mrs. Robert H. Johnson, 1 Vista Del Moraga, Orinda; Mrs. Carl C. Miller, 90 Brookwood Drive, Orinda, and Mrs. F. J. Morley, 2030 Park Street, Concord.

## Lloyd Torchio Weds La Verne Durante in Festive Ceremony

Corpus Christi Church in Piedmont was the setting June 28, at 4 p.m., for the wedding of La Verne Esther Durante and Lloyd John Torchio.

Massive arrangements of bone white gladiolus and stock were grouped about the altar. The candelabra flanking the altar and the single tapers along the aisle were adorned with bone white gladiolus tied with white satin ribbons.

**THE REV. FATHER** Edwin Keller officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Escorted to the altar on the arm of her father, Alfred Durante of Orinda, La Verne wore a heavy white satin gown with grecian key design in seed pearls and rhinestones at the low cut neckline and sleeves.

Nylon tulle formed an overskirt that flowed into a long, graceful train. Her fingertip veil was formed of twin layers of nylon tulle attached to a halo of the same tulle embroidered in seed pearls and rhinestones. In her hand was a bridal bouquet of Lilly of the Valley and white Stephanotis centered with a white corsage, which she wore when going away.

**SERVING AS HER** sister's maid of honor was Lorraine Durante, who wore a pure silk organza yellow ballerina length dress fashioned with full skirt and low back neckline. With the frock she wore a horsehair picture hat of the same shade, and carried a flat small red basket filled with stock, sweet peas and carnations.

Secondary attendants, all former classmates of the bride, were dressed like the maid of honor except for color. Marilyn Kittredge of Lafayette in sky blue, Doris Mortara of Lafayette in sea green, Lucretia Crandall of Piedmont in pastel pink and Janet Janesse of Orinda in lilac.

**JILL McCAFFERY**, of Orinda, cousin of the bride, attended as flower maiden and the groom's nephew, Leonard Ferro, of Lafayette, served as ring bearer.

Best man was Robert Ferro, of Lafayette, Lloyd's brother-in-law. The ushers were Edward Michaelson of San Mateo, Donald SanPietro of Albany, Ray Ferro of Lafayette and James Wiekling of Piedmont, all fraternity brothers of the groom.

Mrs. Rena Bottano of Piedmont, who sang at the church ceremony, also sang at the wedding service of the bride's parents.

**A RECEPTION** for over 400 guests, was held at the Oakland Club. A buffet supper and cocktails were served after which dancing began. The festivities broke up around 11 p.m. when the bride and groom left for Coronado, where they will stay at the Hotel Del Coronado, returning on July 14 to occupy a new home in Lafayette.

For going away, La Verne wore an oyster white linen suit, shiny black small straw cloche, black patent purse and pumps.

The bridal bouquet was caught by Lorraine Durante, the bride's sister.

The wedding culminated a high school romance which began when both were students at Acalanes. La Verne went on to San Jose State and Lloyd to the University of California at Berkeley.

The bridegroom is the son of the John Torchios of Lafayette and is a junior student at U.C. He is a member of the Sigma Nu Fraternity, Winged Helmet, Triune, and the varsity football squad.

## County Girls State Delegates Honored

Lafayette Veterans Memorial building was chosen as the scene of a tea recently to honor Girls State delegates from Contra Costa County high schools.

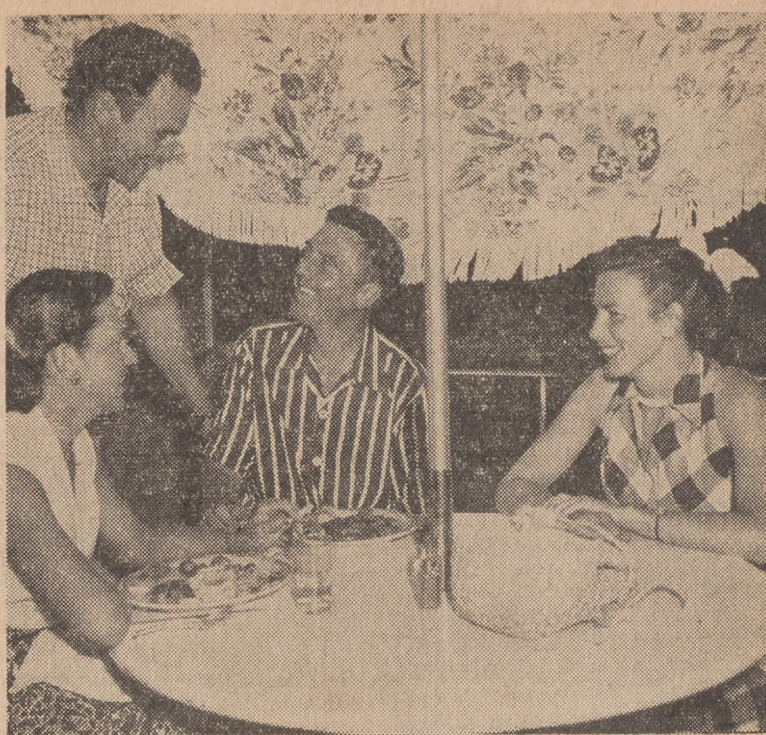
The delegates are sponsored by local units of the American Legion Auxiliary.

California Girls State sessions were held at Sacramento from June 17 to 24 and girls selected from the junior year in high school studied and practiced functions of government.

## Laws Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood P. Laws of Walnut Creek have their own solution to the city's summer heat.

They are vacationing in Hawaii where they were guests at the Hana-Maui Hotel.



ENJOYING AN INFORMAL Independence Day affair at the Diablo Country Club Saturday night are: left to right, Mrs. Ed French, Barney McGeary, Ed French and Mrs. Barney McGeary of Walnut Creek. The country club marked the holiday with three days of fun, both for children and the older set. — Ted Gurney Photo.

## Orinda Park Pool To Have Dance for Teen-Agers Tonight

A dance for the teen-agers of the Orinda Park Pool is scheduled for tonight. Dancing will start at 8 p.m. with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bailey as chaperons.

July 24 there will be the second Pot Luck Supper and Square Dance of the season. The Pot Luck Supper will start at 7:30 p.m. with dancing following. Everyone planning on attending please call Connie Smith, 8267 or Ann Bailey, 3948, to find out what to bring.

Bob Ross will be in charge of the square dancing.

## USO Committee To Meet Sunday

The operating committee of the Diablo Area USO will meet at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Coast Counties Gas Company office in Walnut Creek, according to Senior Major Emil Miller, UCO Center director.

## Mrs. Bucking Takes Canadian Trip

Mrs. Henrietta Bucking, 3517 Moraga Boulevard, Lafayette, returned Sunday from a 16 day trip into Canada.

"I visited Lake Louise, Banff and Jasper National Park," she said, "and it was delightful. It was cool and pleasant all the time, and we even had a flurry of snow at one point."

She said that it did not feel like Lafayette when she got back, because "it is really quite warm."

She also spent three days in Vancouver, B.C., which she described as delightful.

She made the trip by Greyhound.

## Mrs. Rand Welcomes Sister and Family

Mrs. H. W. Rand and family of Jeanette Drive in Pleasant Hill were hosts recently to Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Owens and son Dean. Mrs. Owens is Mrs. Rand's sister.

While here the Owens with the Rands enjoyed several trips including Lake Tahoe, Nevada, San Francisco and Sacramento on their itinerary.

The sisters had not seen each other in five years before the Owens of Kilgore, Texas, made this, their initial, trip to California.

## Mussers Have Fourth Of July Celebration

Approximately 25 guests gathered at the Canyon home of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Musser for a Fourth of July celebration Saturday.

Among those present were the families of John B. Thune, Robert Frush, John W. MacKenzie, Pearl Goss, Merle Mehl, and former Canyonites, the Earl Clouse family, who now live in Walnut Creek.

## Norfolk Musician Spends Week With Mrs. Robert Winters

Mrs. Robert Winters of Orinda has been hostess to Mrs. S. H. Ferebee of Norfolk, Va. for the past week.

During her stay, Mrs. Ferebee was given a small dinner party at the home of her hostess. The following day, Mrs. Winters entertained 30 of her friends at a tea honoring her guest.

Miss Virginia Blair sang a number of songs and Mrs. Winters and her niece, Miss Janet Chantler, played a few piano solos.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Chantler entertained Mrs. Ferebee at a family dinner at their home. Following these social functions, Mrs. Winters, her daughter Christine, and Mrs. Ferebee drove to Yosemite, across the Tioga pass to Nevada, down to Clear Lake, and then returned home to attend a luncheon given by Mrs. George Vurek in honor of Mrs. Philip Thearle.

The K. B. Andersons entertained Mrs. Ferebee and the Winters at a Sunday Brunch, and the Ernest Spindles entertained with a barbecue.

Mrs. Ferebee is an organist and pianist and for 17 years has headed the concerts which are given in the Art Museum at Norfolk. Prior to her visit with Mrs. Winters she had a seven week stay in the Hawaiian Islands with her daughter, a lieutenant in the U. S. Army.

## Parkers Play Host To Family Reunion

"The home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Parker on Marianne Drive in Lafayette was the scene of a family reunion of Parkers recently."

Five of Parker's sisters and one brother, together with their families were present to enjoy the Sunday dinner and get-together.

Guest of honor at the gathering was Mrs. John Underhill, of Klamath River, California. Others present included Mrs. Elmer



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Genuine quality emphasizes this executive's 3-bedroom, 1 1/2-bath home in Pleasant Hills; over 1800 square feet of better building value includes all electric kitchen, thermostat oven, many extras and superb decorative treatments. Price lowered to new low \$21,250.

One of these should suit your fancy. Call Mr. Holton and see, Lafayette 3094. (Evenings, Yellowstone 5-1857).

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On highway opp. Cape Cod House 7-10-1c

SALE. Consider lease, 3303 Moraga Blvd., off Carol Lane. Secluded, wooded, live creek, 3 - bedroom home, 1 year old. Call Livermore 906-1. Open Saturday and Sunday. 7-10-1c

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3 bedroom home 2 1/2 blocks from grammar school, large living room, fireplace. Beautifully landscaped with 60-foot full-grown rose hedge. 27 x 15 lot. Priced \$14,000.

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Corner Moraga Blvd. and Victoria, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 2 car garage, heavy shake roof, \$17,800.

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### **1014 HAMPTON ROAD**

INSPECT SUNDAY 1-4

Owner transferred. Secluded on 2 1/2 acre, ranch type, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, workshop, separate laundry, interesting breakfast bar, lots of extras. Asking \$25,950.

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### **OLDER three-bedroom home**

half acre or more with stables. \$15,000. \$2000 down. Helen Haines, Realtor, Laf. 4700. 7-10-1p

### **RANCHO VIEW KNOLLS**

One acre, beautiful views, sandy soil, East Bay water, utilities. Priced \$3000. I hold deed of trust \$1500. Original owner leaving this area. Pleasant Hill Rd. and Rancho View Dr., 1 mile beyond Acalanes High. 7-10-1c

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#### **EASY LIVING**

Trim, complete, small home 2 bedrooms, custom built, wall to wall carpets, landscaped, barbecue, \$13,600.

(Complete unto itself) hedges, barbecue, Arizona rock walls, 2 bedrooms, dining room, \$21,500.

Large brick patio, charming entrance over creek. Papered and decorated attractively. 2 bedrooms, dining room \$25,500.

Call ZOE WOOLSEY, Orinda 8101. Available evenings at Orinda 3573 or 2307. 7-10-1c

FOUR BEDROOM, two bath ranch home with separate quarters for in-laws or maid. 3/4 of an acre with fruit trees and oak. Lovely view, filtered Paddock Pool completely fenced, payments \$90 per month. Orinda 8403. 7-10-1c

ARCHITECT'S ranch style three-bedroom, two bath, beautiful view level lot, near schools. \$18,900. Owner, Orinda 8512. 7-10-1c

### **By Owner**

#### **Orinda Home & Garden**

Beautiful setting with view. Conveniently located 1 1/2 miles from Crossroads. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, thoughtful and attractive planning. Best offer over \$29,500. Orinda 7351. 7-10-2c

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Because of Mahogany Exteriors and Interiors; large breakfast room; open lair; 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths in Upper Lakeview — Well worth investigating. Call Marie Carter.

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No. 363: A compact 5 year old home in a handy location Pleasant Hill area. 2 bedrooms, living room — dining room combination, Pullman kitchen. New hardwood floors. Completely insulated and weatherstripped. Redwood fenced and patio. \$10,500.

### **\*George H. Cockerton**

2343 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Yellowstone 4-4458 7-10-1c

ATTENTION BUILDERS. 2 one-half acre lots, trees, view, slight slope. 2106 Glenhaven Ave. Must sell. \$2500 each. Terms, YE 4-4122. 7-10-1c

### **\*Leslie H. Sharp, Realtor**

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Large 5-room Basaltite house, 2-car garage, workshop, on 1 level acre. Priced to sell, \$14,000.

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this lovely home. Close to town; beautiful view. Central floor plan, 3 bedrooms, trees. An excellent buy at \$15,950.

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2333 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Walnut Creek YE 4-4490 7-10-1c

### **BY OWNER**

Home with 2 1/4 acres or part. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, double garage. Glassed, screened porch, separate dining room, landscaped, orchard, view of Diablo, oaks, lot. Good drainage, 1 mile south Walnut Creek, East Danville Highway. YE 4-2223. 7-10-1c

### **2-BEDROOM house, 2 years old**

Garage, landscaped, hardwood floors. Not in tract. Just outside Walnut Creek. Close to shopping. Assume GI loan. Yellowstone 4-8852. 7-10-1c

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Beautiful new 3-bedroom, 2-bath home — at 180 Hilltop Crescent Drive. Off Terrace Road. Best offer gets bargain. Open daily. Sacrifice for quick sale. Phone Builder YE 4-8001. 7-10-1c

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This 3-bedroom, 2 1/2-year-old home, located close to schools, shopping, is on a blind street, has hardwood floors, garbage disposal, is insulated and weatherstripped. Patio and lawn are in, large backyard, with matured walnut and fruit trees. Take over the 4 1/2 GI loan at \$59 per month. Total price, \$12,500.

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Secluded 1/2 acre, covered with walnuts. 190 feet of road frontage. Level. Only \$3000.

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OAKVIEW ROAD — Well drained lot, 70 x 198. Walnut trees. Good homes either side. Sewer in and paid. \$2250.

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This 2 bedroom, stucco on 1 1/3 acre for only \$1500.00 down. Patio, fenced; wired for 220 volts. Payments only \$49.12 with Y.E.'s tax exemption. Full price \$9950.00.

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Cod home on quiet lane in Walnut Heights area. Large rooms, two bedrooms, separate dining room, basement and large attic. Dishwasher, insulated, weatherstripped. Fruit and shade trees, 11 x 21 hobby or guest house in rear, chicken house too. Priced to sell quickly. \$11,900. 60 McConnell Lane, Yellowstone 5-5204. 7-10-1c

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3 bedroom, 2 bath, ranch home; quality construction, close in; shake roof, lots of used brick; lovely view; asking \$18,000. Reasonable offer terms considered.

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Charming and different, situated on a lovely wooded hillside, 2 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bathrooms, plus large unfinished hobby room, radiant heat, patio and barbecue to suit the most discriminating. Well landscaped garden for gardening. For privacy, seclusion and outdoor living, see this California modern at the low price of \$12,750. \$2,500 down and easy terms.

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This big generous 3 bedroom home on two to three acres in 2-bedroom homes in Sun Valley area, Walnut Creek, \$14,500 and \$15,500. Bring an offer to ALICE JEFFREY, Yellowstone 4-4090.

Will consider trade for 2-bedroom home in Orinda or Berkeley in exchange for a 3-bedroom, 2-bath in Sun Valley, Walnut Creek, ALICE JEFFREY, Yellowstone 4-4090.

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That could be a little cutie, with a little imagination and a little effort. Two bedrooms, fireplace, hardwood floors, South of Walnut Creek, \$10,750. Call Tom Clausen.

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# The Gambling Question Remains to be Answered

"Law enforcement (in Contra Costa County) leaves something to be desired. We observed a disposition to lay off in some quarters and a reluctance to proceed where over-lapping jurisdictions might be involved. The first question being not whether the law is being violated, but where and by whom . . . it appears that we have some gutless wonders in the law enforcement departments of the cities and of the county."

These and other statements made last week by Arthur C. Rogers, foreman of the 1952-53 Grand Jury, seem to be of the utmost importance to Contra Costa County.

As time ticks away the indifference and lack of law enforcement in large areas of the county continues, whether for ulterior motives or not. Rogers' statements bring the problem to mind once again.

Four long years ago The SUN was the only county newspaper to expose gambling in Central Contra Costa County, after which followed months of battling with County District Attorney Francis W. Collins and County Sheriff James N. Long.

The SUN was and still is concerned with gambling because of the murky atmosphere it creates, because of the graft and corruption it fosters.

Vicious attacks on The SUN were launched in special editions of "Hollywood Life," the publication of Jimmy Tarantino who has now been indicted on numerous charges.

At the end of that period, wide open gambling stopped in this area and has not been allowed since.

But two years ago The SUN again pointed out that illegal dice games were prevalent throughout the county. After the fact had been publicized they stopped again.

With console slot machines, it was the same kind of a story. Only after the state law prohibited their operation were they removed from Contra Costa County.

Of course, we also remember the charges of the Kefauver Crime Committee which pointed out that the county's gambling czars were the worst the committee members had ever seen anywhere.

Sheriff Jim "No comment" Long was called to testify and sat in the committee room for several days, but he was saved from a thorough going-over only because the committee was due in New York the next day.

The State Crime Commission exposed Elmer "Bones" Remmer, William Pechart and James Kessel as not only the gambling czars of Contra Costa County, but as big wheels throughout parts of the state.

Pechart and Kessel gave conclusive proof that gambling was a big industry and allowed to operate in Contra Costa when they recently attempted to gain permission to operate a gambling house in Nevada.

It's ironic that in Nevada where gambling is legal, the authorities wouldn't let them operate. In Contra Costa where gambling is illegal, they operated gambling houses.

Sheriff Long and District Attorney Francis "See No Evil" Collins have still never committed themselves on these points. Rogers' comment this week brings the history up to date. Is there gambling in Contra Costa County now? We say, "yes." Any police officer has seen it; so have many citizens.

In less than one year there is another election for the sheriff and district attorney posts. How long will we put up with the county's do-nothing law enforcement? At the coming election we have the opportunity to make our decision.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

In your paper last week, you had an article about the traffic check held in Walnut Creek on the previous Saturday. You mentioned that the check was made by "volunteers."

Since your paper has consistently given BAD publicity to the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, aren't you being a poor sport not to mention that the "volunteers" in the traffic check were ALL employees of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District.

In all fairness I think it would have been the nice thing to do.

ELINOR K. MARSHALL

Editor's Note: We agree that the six Sanitary District employees who helped with the traffic count deserve thanks, along with the nine other citizens and representatives of the Walnut Creek Auxiliary Police Force, and Walnut Creek Women's Club. Their names are included in a story released this week.

## Martinez Merry-Go-Round

**NEW STORM DRAIN LAW**

A bill to permit the formation of storm drainage districts by petition signed by 51 per cent of the residents of an area was signed by Governor Earl Warren last Friday.

The bill was introduced in both houses of the legislature at the request of the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors.

The bill permits assessments and bond issues to construct and maintain drains, water courses and other necessary items.

The Contra Costa Flood Control and Soil Conservation District also requested the bill.

Deputy District Attorney Sam Bradbard said the law is designed to meet the specific problems of the many subdivisions in the county.

Another bill to allow an increase in taxes by flood control districts from 1 to 2 cents was also signed by the governor.

**PEST CONTROL MEET**

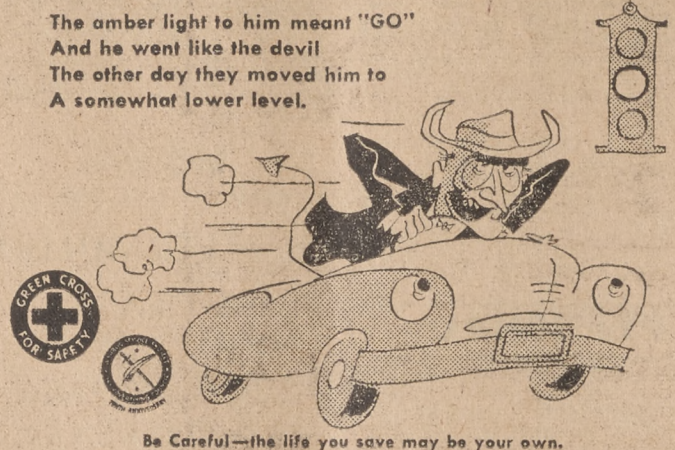
Pest control operators in Contra Costa County met recently at the agricultural commissioner's office, Buchanan Field, Concord, to review and discuss laws and regulations affecting their operations.

Seventeen pest control operators were in attendance, as well as Milton Bell and A. M. Goff from the Agricultural Extension office at Cowell.

**JUDGES PAY BOOSTED**

Contra Costa County Superior Court Judges will make \$15,560 per year instead of \$15,000 as a result of a bill signed last Friday by Governor Earl Warren.

## Dangerous drivers we used to know: 'Amber-light Ambrose'



## For Really Happy Vacation, Make Sure Your Home Has That Inhabited Look!

You don't have to be a professional designer of stage-sets but your vacation trip will be more enjoyable if you take steps to leave your home with the appearance of being occupied.

That advice was given to summer trip-planning families this week by the sheriff's office, which warned that this is considered boom season by prowlers, vandals and burglars.

Also, it's the time of year when fires are most numerous, so the sheriff's office counsels taking all necessary fire-prevention precautions before you go on that fishing or camping trip, that cross-country journey, that trip abroad or that visit to friends or relatives in another community.

A new twist is added to this year's advice, it is reported by Sergeant John Jagard, with inclusion of the following pointer in "vacation-watch" instructions from Lieut. Harry Brown, in charge of uniformed personnel:

LEAVE A HOUSE KEY with a neighbor so that the neighbor can go into your home daily, rearrange the position of window-shades and turn on a light each evening in some room, with the light visible from outside. A different light should be turned on every couple of evenings.

Such an arrangement, it is pointed out, will help give the house the appearance of being inhabited, thus fooling any would-be burglars.

If you add other essential precautions, your mind can be at ease while you're away, since you'll be practically certain that your home will be intact when you return, instead of being a burned-down ruin or a looted shambles.

These other precautions include:

1. HALT DELIVERY of milk and newspapers for the period of your vacation.
2. Notify your Post Office of your forwarding address or have the Post Office hold mail for you until your return.
3. Remove piles of paper and other rubbish from near the house and garage.
4. REMOVE ELECTRIC light and appliance cords from sockets.
5. Make sure the gas is turned off; turn off pilot lights.
6. Leave your window shades up or part-way up.
7. NOTIFY THE sheriff's office—or, if you live within the Walnut Creek city limits, the Walnut Creek Police Department—of the date of your departure and return and of where you can be reached.

This step will ensure careful checkup on your property by the law-enforcement authorities as they patrol the area. (In the Walnut Creek area, if your home is outside the city limits the agency to notify, as elsewhere in unincorporated portions of the county, is the sheriff's office.)

"In order to cooperate effectively in protecting homes of vacationers," explains Sergeant Jagard of the sheriff's office, "we must know who the vacationers are and where their homes are."

The same prerequisite applies to the Walnut Creek Police Department for vacationers' homes within the Walnut Creek city limits.

So heed all this advice—and have a happy vacation AND a happy homecoming.

## Artists to Write About What to See at Art Show

Outdoor Art Show, Inc., will present its Fifth Annual Art Show September 11 through 14 at the Artists Market on Stuart Street in Lafayette.

To introduce this year's show and to assist show-goers who may have questions about the types of art which they will see, the organization has arranged a series of articles by prominent artists and craftsmen from the area.

The show will include painting and sculpture, prints, weaving, pottery and jewelry, and authorities will discuss these subjects.

The following note from Ruth Howard, president of the board of Art Shows, Inc., introduces the series:

She writes as follows:

"I wonder if our communities understand what the annual art shows held here for the last four years have meant to the area?"

"THIS SHOW HAS achieved a fine nationwide reputation and has helped to stimulate both artistic activity and appreciation and interest in art by residents of the area."

"Simultaneous with the growth of the Outdoor Art Association, the Diablo Art Association and Children's Art groups have flourished until there is an overall membership of close to 1000 in these organizations."

"Large numbers of local residents have expressed more and more interest in art. Because it has been felt that these people would like to know more about what they have and will see, 10 well-known artists have been asked to write articles on 'What to Look for at an Art Show.'"

"THESE AUTHORITIES are all from that surprising number of prominent and successful artists and craftsmen who live in our own communities."

"The first contributor will be Professor Eugen Neuhaus of Orinda, former head of the Art Department at the University of California in Berkeley."

"The fine standing of the annual Art Show is based on the fact that it has always been highly juried. More than 750 paintings alone were entered in the 1952 show, with entries coming from as far as Chicago and Minneapolis, as well as the length of the West Coast."

"THIS YEAR, SINCE the question of abstract versus conservative creates a lively field for discussion in the community, more emphasis is being placed on a balanced jury."

"Owing to limitation of space, entries this year are being curtailed. Local artists especially are being encouraged to submit."

"This year marks the first time the annual show has not been held in Walnut Creek. Just about a year ago Outdoor Art Show established a permanent art center in Lafayette, which will be the scene of this year's show."

"Monthly shows have been held at the center which was the dream of the few people who formed the original Outdoor Art Show organization."

"Ultimately, the Outdoor Art association hopes to establish a permanent center for all arts, including music and drama, as well as painting, sculpture and crafts."



## Under The Sun

Old Style . . . or our style

Having just returned from a delightful week in the mountains, your editor turns the old battered Underwood over to Charles Bosley this week. Chuck, one of our two top editors, was former editor-publisher of the Sugar Pine Press in Westwood.

By CHUCK BOSLEY

Last week I talked with a woman who said our communities should maintain the character of Old California or the Early West.

The idea was refreshing and at the moment I could go along. But now I think I'll hold out for things on an as-you-like-it plane. It's the old story of America as a melting pot.

It's more life-like when things combine in strange new ways. Like a minister in an MG, different and sometimes startling combinations are fun . . . they're curious, they catch your eye and your interest.

Just so with a community. When a new angular modern building rises beside an old homestead, it's a shock . . . but, then, in some crazy way, it comes to fit . . . in a few months there's no oddity left.

The point is that the ever-changing buildings on our streets are, because of that change, a sign of our life . . . no stranger than our modern and antique furniture mixed together, no stranger than jazz in Carnegie Hall.

We can be sure that Old California grew this way. While pioneer carpenters cut and hammered, no one stood around calling for a "Gold Rush town" or for an "Early California" street.

We can't grow in any way but our own . . . let's do it with gusto, leaving every man the right to have his say in building . . . just like I'm having my say in print.

I'm not strong for baseball . . . but the other night we stopped at the City Park in Walnut Creek to look at the game . . . this one between Rick's Drive Inn and Frank's Liquors.

I was immediately reminded of other parks in other cities in the state where I sat on a cool summer evening and watched softball. The field, the teams, the crowd . . . it was all the same. It was curious to find it that way.

I wasn't bothered with having to follow things too closely . . . pick sides and that kind of thing. There was no score board and no loud speaker . . . no way of knowing the shape of things . . . no problem.

The players have the professional look . . . their pants bag just right, their underwear sticks out of their short sleeves with the authentic touch.

I'd recommend it to anyone on a cool summer night.

On several occasions I've had the chance to talk to two Urban Planners . . . Harold Wise of Menlo Park and Walnut Creek, and Paul Oppermann of San Francisco. They are noticeably a breed by themselves . . . have a no-doubt-about-it approach to the thing. Of course, they make their livings at it, but their enthusiasm isn't the kind that comes of selfish concern.

Talk to them and suddenly planning must be spelled with a capital letter . . . it's good sense and opportunity and progress all wrapped up in one concept.

The way I understand it, Planning means, in the first place, a good look at what one is doing . . . stopping the rush long enough to get an objective idea of what all of us together are making of our community.

They say that this objective idea may be different than we expect. Like the lady with her new foreign sports car . . . she thinks she has all the verve and dash . . . the Continental flare . . . but, by George, she's forgotten her beret!

Lots of our activity isn't as dashing as we think . . . our building isn't so adequate . . . our progressive thinking is dragging in spots . . . we're not going just where we thought we were.

In Walnut Creek Planning has shown, for example, that the answer to local traffic problems isn't freeways alone.

The city put the rest of the problem aside for a moment and many people forgot about it. When Hal Wise came along, he laid out a series of arterial routes which will be necessary for circulation across and through the city, even with freeways.

When I come down Mt. Diablo from Orinda, through Lafayette and on to Walnut Creek, I like the look of the hills on either side. I like the final drop down into Walnut Creek . . . that's the place where Mt. Diablo, the ridge beyond Saranap and the entrance to San Ramon Valley are visible . . . all at once.

Most Californians who live as near to city lights as we do are much more familiar with house-cluttered rises . . . the hills, once just like ours, have been scraped, cleared, leveled and covered with buildings.

This is what we mean when we say, "suburban living" . . . or at least part of what we mean.

In this respect, Planning means containing growth . . . they say the lesson of the big city is that growth gets out of hand . . . haphazard, thoughtless, cluttered . . . and can blight huge areas, if people don't keep track of where things are going.

This all brings up the question of how we contain growth and still leave room for individuals to do as they wish.

It's a question of balance. I've said I don't like the idea of buildings forced into one particular architectural style . . . on the other hand, I'd like to continue our suburban character. Obviously, I am faced with establishing some kind of balance . . . certainly it's not a question of Planning or not, but a question of where to draw the line.

This seems to be the problem of the whole area . . .

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